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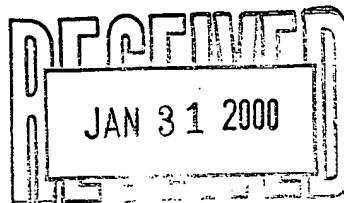
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Applicant's response filed on 10/12/1999 (in response to the Examiner's Election/restriction requirement, paper no. 10) is acknowledged. Although the Examiner noted that the election of species I has been made without traverse (by way of incomplete response), applicant's response is held non-responsive for following reasons:

In the response, applicant did not accurately point all claims which are readable on the elected species. Applicant is given one month time limit or until the expiration of the response period set in the last Office action, whichever is longer, to complete the response. No extension of this time limit will be granted under either 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) or (b) but the period for response set in the last Office action may be extended up to a maximum of six months.

Any inquiry concerning this or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Ashok Patel at (703) 305-4934.

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